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And the Winner is....Bethpage Water District!

Bethpage Tap Water Voted Best Tasting on Long Island

The Long Island Water Conference held its 18th Annual Long Island Best Tasting Tap Water Contest on Wednesday, August 16 at the Race Palace in Plainview. This contest featured the two winning water districts from the Water Conference's countywide water tasting contests, which were held in May.

The Bethpage Water District in Nassau County and the South Huntington Water District in Suffolk County went head-to-head as their drinking water was judged for best taste. Oyster Bay Town Supervisor John Venditto and Huntington Town Supervisor Frank Petrone supported their local water suppliers by volunteering to serve on the event's judging panel. Race Palace Manager Irene Naudus also participated on the panel. As the 2006 winner, Bethpage may now be recognized as the Long Island Champion. In addition, both contestants will represent their respective counties at the New York State Health Department's regional tasting competition at the Museum of Natural History on August 24. A win there will earn a spot in the New York State competition at the state fair in Syracuse.

"On behalf of the Long Island Water Conference, I would like to congratulate the Bethpage Water District. This is an exciting time for them to share the results of their hard work and commitment to providing quality drinking water," stated Long Island Water Conference Chairman Matthew Snyder. "All of our water districts deserve recognition for ensuring the comfort and safety of their communities, and this contest gave Bethpage and South Huntington a special opportunity to be seen. Best of luck to both of them as they prepare for the State competition."